

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

The following listing of claims will replace all prior version, and listings, of claims in the instant application:

**Listing of Claims**

Claims 1-17 (Canceled)

18. (New)     A method of treating a hypertensive subject having a normal to above normal PRA level comprising:
- A.     administering to the subject or instructing the subject to take a low dose of an R drug;
  - B.     after step A, measuring the subject's BP and if the subject's BP is not controlled, administering to the subject or instructing the subject to take an increased dose of the R drug;
  - C.     after step B, measuring the subject's BP and if the subject's BP is not controlled, administering to the subject or instructing the subject to take, instead of the R drug, a low dose of a V drug; and
  - D.     after step C, measuring the subject's BP and if the subject's BP is not controlled, administering to the subject or instructing the subject to take an increased dose of the V drug.
19. (New)     A method of treating a hypertensive subject having a normal to below normal PRA level comprising:

- A.     administering to the subject or instructing the subject to take a low dose of an V drug;
- B.     after step A, measuring the subject's BP and if the subject's BP is not controlled, administering to the subject or instructing the subject to take an increased dose of the V drug;
- C.     after step B, measuring the subject's BP and if the subject's BP is not controlled, administering to the subject or instructing the subject to take, instead of the V drug, a low dose of a R drug; and

- D. after step C, measuring the subject's BP and if the subject's BP is not controlled, administering to the subject or instructing the subject to take an increased dose of the R drug.

20. (New) The method of claim 18, wherein the normal PRA level is about 0.65 ng/ml/hr.

21. (New) The method of claim 19, wherein the normal PRA level is about 0.65 ng/ml/hr.